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IN REPLY ADDRESS THE DIRECTOR U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY AND NOT THE SIGNER OF THIS LETTER DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND REFER TO NO. U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY WASHINGTON Nov 1, 1934 The Director, Coast & Geodetic Survey, Washington, D. C .. I. E. Rittenburg, Lieut, Coast & Geodetic Survey Subject: Dragging for reported rocks. There is enclosed with this communication a section of Chart 224 showing a small area which was dragged at the request of the Lighthouse service in the vicinity of Target Rock, Huntington Harbor. There is also enclosed copies of the reports of this obstruction and the request from the Superintendant of Lighthouses for this wire dragging. The drag record has been forwarded to your office together with the records for project H.& T. 186, 1934. The wire drag was carried as close to the buoy marking Target Rock as was possible as shown on the attached section of chart 224. This a rea shown was cleared with an 8 ft. drag. Therefore it is believed that whatever the 2 reports referred to must have worked itself free from the bottom and the area is now clear to a depth of 8 ft. I. E. Rittenburg, Lieut., Coast & Geodetic Survey This area fartfally covered well drag - by It. Firmigan in 1931 See Shew H-5143

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

August 13, 1934.

U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, Main Street Garage, Port Washington, L.I., N.Y.

- Attention of Mr. Rittenberg -

SUBJECT:

Obstruction in the vicinity Huntington Bay Buoy 8 (Target Rock), Huntington Bay, L.I., N.Y.

REFERENCE:

Our conversation of this date.

Sir:-

- l. Enclosed for your information is a copy of a report of July 9th, 1934, written by Mr. William H. Johns, Commodore of the Bayside Yacht Club, 383 Madison Avenue, New York City, which was forwarded to this office by the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, Field Station, Room 741, Customhouse, New York City, by letter of July 10th, 1934.
- 2. There is also enclosed a copy of letter of July 27th, 1934, from Mr. Ralph S. Bradley, 15 Church Street, New Rochelle, New York, reporting an obstruction located approximately seventy-five feet northeast of Huntington Bay Buoy 8, in Huntington Bay.
- 3. This office has searched for this obstruction upon one occasion and was unable to locate same, and we would appreciate your making a search for this obstruction as was discussed by us during our conversation of this date.

Respectfully,

/J. T./YATES, Sumerintender

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Office of The Commodore 383 Madison Avenue New York City.

July 9,1934.

Coast and Geodetic Survey, 6 State Street, New York. N.Y.

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Gentlemen: -

The red buoy N8 located off Target Rock on the westerly shore of Huntington Harbor has either drifted out of place or was incorrectly located.

On Sunday afternoon, July 8th, at 2:45 o'clock (low tide) I was at the helm of my 72 foot cruiser "Welcome" leaving Lloyd's Harbor. I passed this buoy on the outside to the easterly at an approximate distance of 50 to 75 feet, going at a speed of about 13 land miles per hour.

The stern had hardly passed the range of the buoy when the keel apparently hit a rock just aft of amidship. The stern was lifted something like 2 feet in the air and the bow depressed, and I thought that the planking was crushed in so great was the blow. Fortunately we landed squarely on the keel and rode over the obstruction without serious damage except some splintering of the wood.

Roughly estimated, this rock or other obstruction is about 75 feet northwest of N8.

My boat draws 4 feet 9 inches at anchor and I presume about 7 feet to 7 feet 6 inches underway.

There is one thing I cannot understand. I round this buoy scores of times every summer and must have crossed this identical spot frequently. This is true of the hundreds of yachts that rendezvous at Lloyd's Harbor.

I am confident that if the buoy had not become displaced this obstruction would have been discovered by collision before and reported.

I am sure your department will give prompt attention to locating the rock (if it be one) and reset the buoy accordingly.

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) Wm. H. Johns, Commodore.

New Rochelle, July 27th, 1934.

Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I would like to call your attention to a very dangerous rock just outside and a little to the Northeast of the red buoy No. 8 on West side of Huntington Bay, Long Island. I was running a course from Lloyds Point around intoLloyds Harbor and it was just at low tide and I should say there was about 2-1/2 feet of water over it, as it lifted my boat quite a little. If a large cruiser should run near it, it would tear the bilge out, I'm sure. I think this buoy should be moved out about 50 yares.

Yours truly,
(Sgd) Ralph S. Bradley

15 Church Street.

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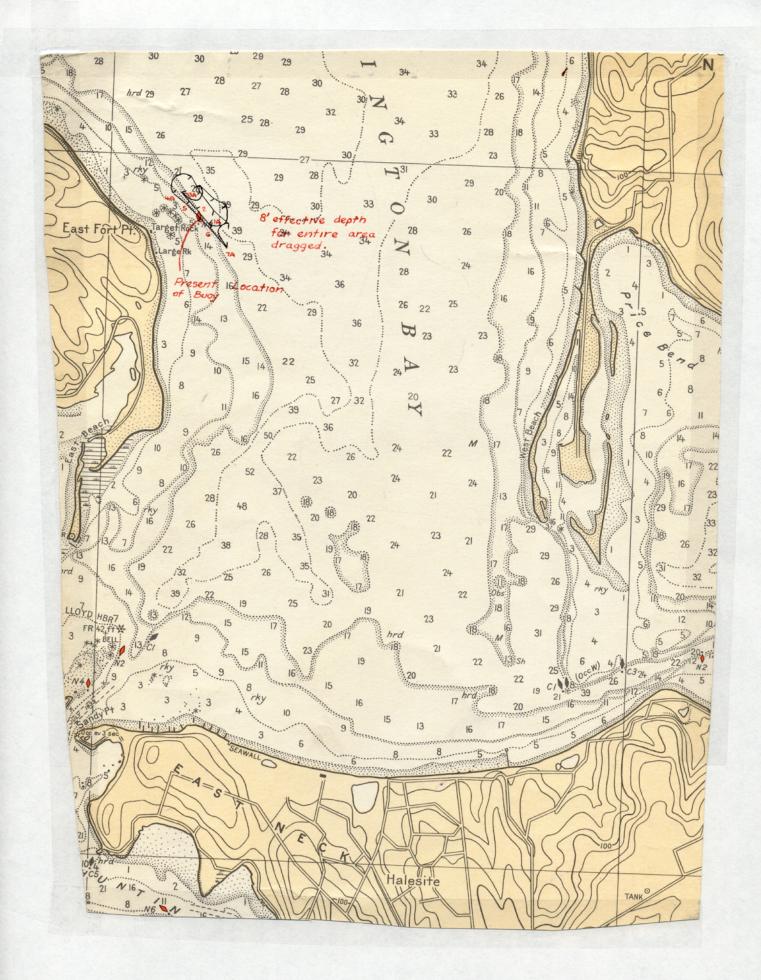
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

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HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET NO. Chart 224

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